SBX2-1: The Road Forward

Central Coast Water Board Perceptions, Actions & Recommendations





"Every citizen of California has the right to pure and safe drinking water."

Section 116270(a) of the California Health and Safety Code

Central Coast Water Board Actions

1. Protecting Public Health

Address and protect most at-risk population

2. Source Control

Requirements with clear goals and objectives

3. Monitoring and Assessment

• Relevant data to measure tangible improvement

4. Funding & Programmatic Realignment

Long-term resource commitments

Recommendations

Protecting Public Health



Monitoring & Assessment

Protecting Public Health

- Protect most at-risk population:
 - Health & Safety Code
 - Data management
 - Primacy agency funding
- Technical & financial support for:
 - Small water systems
 - Disadvantaged Communities





Source Control

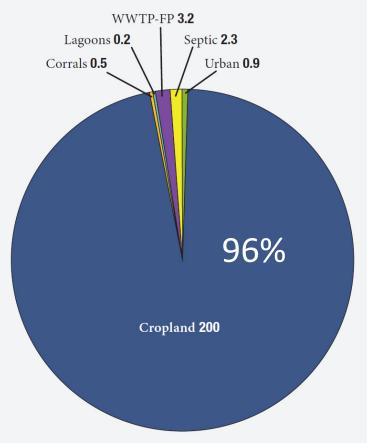


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- Requirements
 - Goals/objectives
 - Performance
 - Enforcement

Monitoring and Assessment

- Data clearinghouse GAMA GeoTracker
- Nitrogen Use Reporting
- Regular reporting to Legislature

Funding

- SBX2-1 Promising Actions
 - Mill Fee (Fertilizer Research & Education Program)
 - Local Compensation Agreements
 - Fertilizer Excise Fee
 - Water Use Fee

Programmatic Alignment

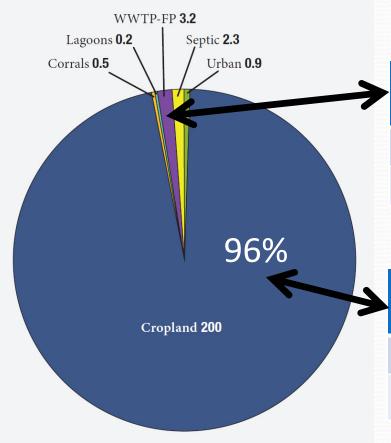


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Waste Discharge Requirements (WDR) Program

\$14.9 million

81 staff

Irrigated Lands Regulatory Program (ILRP)

\$1.9 million

13 staff

Programmatic Alignment x2

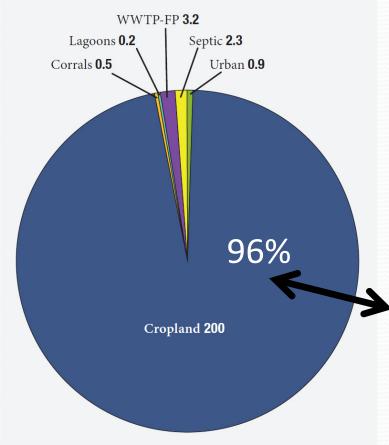


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Surface Water Ambient Monitoring Program (SWAMP)

\$11.3 million

18 staff

Groundwater Ambient Monitoring & Assessment Program (GAMA)

\$2.1 million

3 staff

It can be done!

